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## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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In re:	:	Chapter 11
SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION, et al.,	•	Case No. 18-23538 (RDD)
Debtors <sup>1</sup>	:	(Jointly Administered)
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THIRTY-FIRST MONTHLY FEE STATEMENT OF HERRICK, FEINSTEIN LLP FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED AND DISBURSEMENTS INCURRED AS SPECIAL CONFLICTS COUNSEL TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 1, 2022 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022

Corporation (5365); and SRE Holding Corporation (4816). The location of the Debtors' corporate headquarters is

<sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification

3333 Beverly Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60179

number, are as follows: Sears Holdings Corporation (0798); Kmart Holding Corporation (3116); Kmart Operations LLC (6546); Sears Operations LLC (4331); Sears, Roebuck and Co. (0680); ServiceLive Inc. (6774); A&E Factory Service, LLC (6695); A&E Home Delivery, LLC (0205); A&E Lawn & Garden, LLC (5028); A&E Signature Service, LLC (0204); FBA Holdings Inc. (6537); Innovel Solutions, Inc. (7180); Kmart Corporation (9500); MaxServ, Inc. (7626); Private Brands, Ltd. (4022); Sears Development Co. (6028); Sears Holdings Management Corporation (2148); Sears Home & Business Franchises, Inc. (6742); Sears Home Improvement Products, Inc. (8591); Sears Insurance Services, L.L.C. (7182); Sears Procurement Services, Inc. (2859); Sears Protection Company (1250); Sears Protection Company (PR) Inc. (4861); Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. (0535); Sears, Roebuck de Puerto Rico, Inc. (3626); SYW Relay LLC (1870); Wally Labs LLC (None); Big Beaver of Florida Development, LLC (None); California Builder Appliances, Inc. (6327); Florida Builder Appliances, Inc. (9133); KBL Holding Inc. (1295); KLC, Inc. (0839); Kmart of Michigan, Inc. (1696); Kmart of Washington LLC (8898); Kmart Stores of Illinois LLC (8897); Kmart Stores of Texas LLC (8915); MyGofer LLC (5531); Sears Brands Business Unit Corporation (4658); Sears Holdings Publishing Company, LLC. (5554); Sears Protection Company (Florida), L.L.C. (4239); SHC Desert Springs, LLC (None); SOE, Inc. (9616); StarWest, LLC (5379); STI Merchandising, Inc. (0188); Troy Coolidge No. 13, LLC (None); BlueLight.com, Inc. (7034); Sears Brands, L.L.C. (4664); Sears Buying Services, Inc. (6533); Kmart.com LLC (9022); SHC Licensed Business LLC (3718); SHC Promotions LLC (9626); Sears Brands Management

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Name of Applicant: Herrick, Feinstein LLP

Authorized to Provide Professional Services To: Special Conflicts Counsel to the Official

Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Sears Holdings Corporation, *et al*.

Date of Retention: March 22, 2019 *nunc pro tunc* to January

2, 2019

Period for Which Compensation and

Reimbursement Is Sought:

June 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022

Monthly Fees Incurred: \$13,425.00

20% Holdback: \$2,685.00

Total Compensation Less 20% Holdback: \$10,740.00

Monthly Expenses Incurred: \$100.00

Total Fees and Expenses Requested: \$10,840.00

This is a \_x\_ monthly \_\_\_ interim \_\_\_ final application

Herrick Feinstein LLP ("Herrick Feinstein"), special conflicts counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Creditors' Committee") of Sears Holding Corporation and its affiliated debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors"), hereby respectfully submits this statement of fees and disbursements (the "Thirty-First Monthly Fee Statement") covering the period from June 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022 (the "Compensation Period") in accordance with the Order Authorizing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses of Professionals (the "Interim Compensation Order") [ECF No. 796]. By the Thirty-First Monthly Fee Statement, and after taking into account certain voluntary discounts and reductions, Herrick Feinstein requests (a) interim allowance and payment of compensation in the amount of \$10,740.00 (80% of \$13,425.00) for fees on account of reasonable and necessary professional services rendered to the Creditors' Committee by Herrick Feinstein,

and (b) reimbursement of actual and necessary costs and expenses in the amount of \$100.00 incurred by Herrick Feinstein during the Compensation Period.

# FEES FOR SERVICES RENDERED DURING THE COMPENSATION PERIOD

**Exhibit A** sets forth a timekeeper summary that includes the respective names, positions, department, bar admissions, hourly billing rates and aggregate hours spent by each Herrick Feinstein professional and paraprofessional that provided services to the Creditors' Committee during the Compensation Period. The rates charged by Herrick Feinstein for services rendered to the Creditors' Committee are the same rates that Herrick Feinstein charges generally for professional services rendered to its non-bankruptcy clients.

**Exhibit B** sets forth a task code summary that includes the aggregate hours per task code spent by Herrick Feinstein professionals and paraprofessionals in rendering services to the Creditors' Committee during the Compensation Period.

**Exhibit C** sets forth a complete itemization of tasks performed by Herrick Feinstein professional and paraprofessionals that provided services to the Creditors' Committee during the Compensation Period.

# EXPENSES INCURRED DURING THE COMPENSATION PERIOD

**Exhibit D** sets for a disbursement summary that includes the aggregate expenses, organized by general disbursement categories, incurred by Herrick Feinstein in connection with services rendered to the Creditors' Committee during the Compensation Period.

**Exhibit E** sets forth a complete itemization of disbursements incurred by Herrick Feinstein in connection with services rendered to the Creditors' Committee during the Compensation Period.

#### NOTICE AND OBJECTION PROCEDURES

Notice of this Thirty-First Monthly Fee Statement shall be given by hand or overnight delivery or email where available upon (i) Sears Holdings Corporation, 3333 Beverly Road, Hoffman Illinois 60179, Estates, Attention: Mohsin Y. Meghji (email: mmeghji@miiipartners.com); (ii) counsel to the Debtors, Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, 767 Eighth Avenue, New York, NY 10153, Attention: Ray C. Schrock (email: ray.schrock@weil.com), Jacqueline Marcus (email:jacqueline.marcus@weil.com), Garrett A. Fail (email: garrettlail@weil.com), and Sunny Singh (email: sunny.singh@weil.com); (iii) William K. Harrington, the United States Trustee, U.S. Federal Office Building, 201 Varick Street, Suite 1006, New York, NY 10014, Attention: Paul Schwartzberg (e-mail: paul.schwartzberg@usdoj.gov) and Richard Morrissey (e-mail: richard.morrissey@usdoj.gov); (iv) counsel to Bank of America, N.A., Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, 4 Times Square, New York, NY 10036, Attention: (email:paul.leake@skadden.com), Paul D. Leake Shana Elberg A. (email: shana.elberg@skadden.com) and George R. Howard (email: george.howard@skadden.com); (v) Paul E. Harner, fee examiner, 1675 Broadway, New York, NY 10019 (e-mail: harnerp@ballardspahr.com); (vi) counsel to the fee examiner, Ballard Spahr LLP, 1675 Broadway, New York, NY 10019, Attention: Vincent J. Marriott (e-mail: marriott@ballardspahr.com) and Tobey M. Daluz (e-mail: dalurt@ballardspahr.com); and (vi) counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, One Bryant Park, New York, NY 10036, Attention: Philip C. Dublin (email: pdublin@akingump.com), Ira S. Dizengoff (email: idizengoff@akingump.com) and Sara Lynne Brauner (email: sbrauner@akingump.com), (collectively, the "Notice Parties").

Objections to this Thirty-First Monthly Fee Statement, if any, must be filed with the Court and served upon the Notice Parties so as to be received no later than **August 15, 2022** (the

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"Objection Deadline"), setting forth the nature of the objection and the amount of fees or expenses at issue (an "Objection").

If no objections to this Thirty-First Monthly Fee Statement are filed and served as set forth above, the Debtors shall promptly pay eighty percent (80%) of the fees and one hundred percent (100%) of the expenses identified herein.

If an objection to this Thirty-First Monthly Fee Statement is received on or before the Objection Deadline, the Debtors shall withhold payment of that portion of this Thirty-First Monthly Fee Statement to which the objection is directed and promptly pay the remainder of the fees and disbursements in the percentages set forth above. To the extent such an objection is not resolved, it shall be preserved and scheduled for consideration at the next interim fee application hearing to be heard by the Court.

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Dated: New York, New York August 1, 2022

#### HERRICK FEINSTEIN LLP

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## Exhibit A

**Timekeeper Summary** 

PARTNERS	DEPARTMENT	YEAR OF BAR ADMISSION	RATE	HOURS	AMOUNT
Christopher W. Carty	Restructuring & Finance Litigation	2010	925.00	7.4	\$6,845.00
Sean E. O'Donnell	Restructuring and Finance Litigation		1125.00	2.7	\$3,037.50
Kyle J. Kolb	Restructuring & Finance Litigation	2012	715.00	4.0	\$2,860.00
<b>Total Partners</b>				14.1	\$12,742.50

PARALEGALS/ NON- LEGAL STAFF	DEPARTMENT	RATE	HOURS	AMOUNT
Larisa Poretsky	Litigation	455.00	1.5	\$682.50
Total Paralegals/ Non- Legal Staff			1.5	\$682.50

## EXHIBIT B

## **Task Code Summary**

Task Code	HOURS	AMOUNT (\$)
Fee/Employment Applications – B160	1.5	\$682.50
Other Contested Matters – B190	13.6	\$12,180.00
Case Administration – B110	.5	\$562.60
Total	15.6	\$13,425.00

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## Exhibit C

**Itemized Fees** 



Unpaid balance from previous invoice(s)

Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Sears Holdings Attn: Ron Tucker 225 W. Washington Street Indianapolis, IN 46204

Re: Sears Bankruptcy

Fees for legal services rendered through June 30, 2022 \$13,425.00

Expenses posted through June 30, 2022 100.00

TOTAL \$13,525.00

Total Due Now \$33,239.50

#### INVOICE PAYMENT IS DUE UPON RECEIPT. THANK YOU.

kindly return this page with your
check payment to:
Herrick, Feinstein LLP
Attn: Billing Department
2 Park Avenue
New York, NY 10016

Send wire or ACH payments to: Citibank, N.A. ABA Number: 021000089 Account Number: 4971716165 SWIFT #: CITIUS33 Credit card payments: www.herrickpay.com URL/link redirects to our processor SlimCD

August 1, 2022

\$19,714.50

Tax ID: 132991662

Invoice Number: 568157

Matter Number: 19609.0001



Invoice Number: 568157 Matter Number: 19609.0001

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#### **LEGAL SERVICES RENDERED:**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	TASK CODE	<u>Narrative</u>	<u>Hours</u>
06/03/22	K. Kolb	B190	Respond to inquiry regarding mediation analysis.	0.30
06/08/22	C. Carty	B190	Prepare for meeting with mediator related to Cyrus.	0.50
06/08/22	K. Kolb	B190	Call with expert regarding MTN case status.	0.20
06/08/22	K. Kolb	B190	Respond to inquiry regarding mediation.	0.10
06/10/22	C. Carty	B190	Prepare for meeting with mediator regarding Cyrus (0.8); participate in meeting with mediator regarding Cyrus (1.1).	1.90
06/10/22	S. O'Donnell	B190	Prepare and participate in call with J. Peck; follow up calls/emails re: same.	1.50
06/14/22	C. Carty	B190	Draft update regarding MTN investigation and discussions with Debtors and mediator.	2.50
06/14/22	K. Kolb	B190	Revise committee update regarding MTN investigation.	0.60
06/14/22	S. O'Donnell	B110	Confer with Sears re mediation update to UCC; review/comment on same.	0.30
06/15/22	S. O'Donnell	B110	Confer with client and mediator.	0.20
06/20/22	C. Carty	B190	Analyze issues regarding mediation of claims against Cyrus and correspondence with UCC co-counsel.	2.50
06/20/22	K. Kolb	B190	Analyze and revise update to committee and mediator.	2.80
06/20/22	S. O'Donnell	B190	Confer re mediation; confer with J. Peck re same: review/revise update to UCC.	0.70
06/21/22	L. Poretsky	B160	Revise, redact, assemble, finalize and e-file Twenty- Ninth Monthly Fee Statement	0.90
06/21/22	L. Poretsky	B160	Prepare for service filed Twenty-Ninth Monthly Fee Statement and submit to PrimeClerk for service and circulate to the team	0.60
			TOTAL	\$13,425.00



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#### **LEGAL SERVICES SUMMARY**

<u>Timekeeper</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>
C. Carty	7.40	925.00	6,845.00
K. Kolb	4.00	715.00	2,860.00
S. O'Donnell	2.70	1,125.00	3,037.50
L. Poretsky	1.50	455.00	682.50
TOTAL	15.60		\$13,425.00

### **DISBURSEMENTS:**

E-Discovery Data Hosting 100.00
TOTAL: \$100.00

#### **TASK SUMMARY**

B160	Fee/Employment Applications	1.50	682.50
B190 TOTALS	Other Contested Matters	13.60 <b>15.60</b>	12,180.00 \$13,425.00

PREVIOUS BILLS OUTSTANDING



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\$19,714.50

Invoice #	Invoice Date	<u>Original</u> Amount	Less Credits Applied	<u>Balance</u>
		Amount		
556493	12/06/21	3,124.00	2,519.20	604.80
559069	01/31/22	18,343.34	14,696.04	3,647.30
559894	02/17/22	13,354.47	10,721.57	2,632.90
562340	04/06/22	10,108.38	8,109.28	1,999.10
563646	05/02/22	6,734.00	5,407.20	1,326.80
565030	05/31/22	3,672.10	0.00	3,672.10
566702	07/05/22	5,831.50	0.00	5,831.50

**Total Outstanding** 

## Exhibit D

## **Disbursement Summary**

Total	\$100.00
E-Discovery Data Hosting	\$100.00

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## Exhibit E

**Itemized Disbursement** 

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## **Disbursement Detail**

Applied filters: Client/Matter Filter: Official Committee of Unsecured Creditor (19609) Sears Bankruptcy (0001), Transaction Date: From 2022-06-01 To 2022-06-30

Disbursement ID	Client/Matter	Transaction Date Disb Code	Quantity	To Bill Amount Phase/Task \$100.00	Narrative	Bill Number	Base Quantity	Billed Quantity	Base Amount	Billed Amount Posted Perio	od Billed Period	Bill Date
9377034	Official Committee of Unsec Sears Bankruptcy (0001)	6/30/2022 E-Discovery Data Hosting Mi	1	\$100.00 Expenses Only (EXP.EXP) Expenses Only	Sears Bankruptcy UCC - Rule 2004 MTN	0	1	1	\$100.00	\$100.00 202206	0	7/6/2022